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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 13 August 1969

DD/I noted that he has completed a report on North Korean Order of Battle in response to a CINCPAC requirement and added that, in general, the report is a refinement of NIE 14-2-69.

*Godfrey noted radio and press reports concerning the ChiCom claim that the Soviets have intruded into the Tieh-Lieh-Ko-Ti area and pointed to the requirement to update the Director's briefing on China accordingly. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Later in the meeting Carver noted that the Vietnam SitRep was sent to San Clemente and that it appears [REDACTED] drew upon its contents to brief on the situation in Vietnam. Carver asked whether the Director would like the SitRep to be cabled to him, and the Director asked that all relevant material be assembled in Godfrey's office, where decisions can be reached on what material warrants transmission.

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Godfrey noted that the British pound hit the floor and may take another dip today.

Carver forecast increased activity in the III Corps area and pointed to some reports alleging that the enemy will seek to liberate the Delta area in the IV Corps area.

Carver briefed on his and Houston's meeting with General Wheeler and DOD Deputy General Counsel Niederlehner and added that it went rather well.

*With respect to the Green Beret affair, Maury reported that Senator Stennis appreciated the briefing and was glad we are clean, that Senators Mansfield and Thurmond were relaxed, that Senator Hollings appeared not worried, and that in a chance encounter with Senator George Murphy,

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the Senator expressed a willingness to put our story in the Record. Maury declined, noting that this is a MACV matter. Maury noted that, in briefing Chairman Rivers, the latter was somewhat disturbed about the timing of the briefing. Maury noted that he is in receipt of information that Senator Milton Young would like to be briefed. The Director concurred, and in response to Maury's question raised later in the meeting, the Director asked him to use his good judgment and to see as many people on the Hill as he feels appropriate.

Maury reported that two officers from OCI briefed Representative MacGregor in connection with his projected trip to Warsaw.

Maury reported that they will be picking up a revised draft of the Ervin bill from the Senate Judiciary Committee today.

Houston reported that Deputy Attorney General Kleindienst has requested a background briefing [redacted] The Director concurred.

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In response to the Director's question Goodwin noted that Jerry Greene of the New York Daily News asked for some written statement for publication without attribution similar to the Director's comments made to him on the Vietnam war and Ho Chi Minh's role in particular. After some discussion the Director asked Goodwin to provide the pertinent portion of his Hot Springs speech.

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L. K. White

*Extracted and sent to action officer

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